

Commercial.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—156 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$90 per share, sellers.
 China Traders' Insurance Company—\$70 per share, buyers.
 North China Insurance—Tls. 270 per share, sales and buyers.
 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$97 per share, buyers.
 Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 97 per share, buyers.
 Chinese Insurance Company—\$165 per share, buyers.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150, per share.
 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$320 per share, sellers.
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$74 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, 37 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$118 per share, sellers.
 China and Japan Steam Ship Company—170 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$135 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Company—\$170 per share, nominal.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—17 per cent. dis., sellers.
 Douglas Steamship Company—\$60 per share, buyers.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$192 per share, sellers.
 Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$94 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$94 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$80 per share.
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$124 per share, sellers.
 A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—100 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—24 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—5 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—11 per cent. premium.
 Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$83 per share, sellers.
 Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company—\$5 per share, nominal.
 Punjion and Sunghie Dua Samantan Mining Co.—\$9 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—63 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Tonquin Coal Mining Co.—110 per cent. premium, buyers.
 The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—275 per cent. premium, buyers.
 The East Borneo Planting Co., Limited—\$68 per share, buyers.
 The Sengai Koyah Planting Co., Ltd.—\$43 per share, sellers.
 Cruickshank & Co., Ltd.—\$44 per share, sellers.
 The Steam Launch Co., Limited—10 per cent. dis., sellers.
 The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Co., Ltd.—40 per cent. dis., nominal.

ON LONDON. Bank, T. T. 3/01
 Bank Bills, on demand 3/01
 Bank Bills, at 20 days' sight 3/11
 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/11
 Credits at 4 months' sight 3/11
 Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/11
ON PARIS. Bank Bills, on demand 3/79
 Credits at 4 months' sight 3/97
ON INDIA. T. T. 223
 On Demand 223 1/2
ON SHANGHAI. Bank, T. T. 72
 Private, 30 days' sight 72 1/2

EXPORT CARGO.
 Per City of New York, str. for Yokohama—4,794 bags sugar and 943 packages Merchandise. For San Francisco—499 bags Rice, and 5,037 pkgs. Merchandise. For Forts beyond San Francisco—8,070 bags Rice, 3,055 bags Merchandise, and 14 cases Silks. For Overland Ports—9,845 packages Tea, 200 bales Raw Silk, 5 packages Matting, and 9 cases Silks.

OPIMUM MARKET.—THIS DAY.
 NEW MALWA, per picul..... \$660
 (Allowance, Tails 40)
 OLD MALWA, per picul..... \$680
 (Allowance, Tails 64)
 NEW PATNA (without choice) per chest..... \$550
 NEW PATNA (first choice) per chest..... \$550
 NEW PATNA (bottom) per chest..... \$550
 NEW PATNA (second choice) per chest..... \$547 1/2
 NEW BENARES (without choice) per chest..... \$540
 NEW BENARES (bottom) per chest..... \$550
 NEW PERSIAN (best quality) per picul..... \$630
 OLD PERSIAN (best quality) per picul..... \$600
 OLD PERSIAN (second quality) per picul..... \$580

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

15th November, 1888.—At 4 p.m.

STATION	Wind	Force	Direction	Bar	Therm	Humid	Cloud	Sea	Weather
Wanchow	SE	10	SE	30.15	78	85	100	10	Cloudy
Tsien	SE	10	SE	30.15	78	85	100	10	Cloudy
Nagasaki	SE	10	SE	30.15	78	85	100	10	Cloudy
Shanghai	SE	10	SE	30.15	78	85	100	10	Cloudy
Amoy	SE	10	SE	30.15	78	85	100	10	Cloudy
Hongkong	SE	10	SE	30.15	78	85	100	10	Cloudy
Swatow	SE	10	SE	30.15	78	85	100	10	Cloudy
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MAILS EXPECTED.

THE GERMAN MAIL.
 The Norddeutscher Lloyd steamer *Prussia*, carrying the German mails, with dates from Berlin of the 23rd ultimo, left Singapore on the 23rd instant, at 6 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 29th.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
 The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Arabic*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 7th inst., has arrived at Yokohama, and will leave for this port to-morrow.

THE CANADIAN MAILS.
 The Canadian Pacific steamer *Duke of Westminster*, with the Canadian mail, left Yokohama on the 17th instant, for Kobe and Hongkong.
 The Canadian Pacific steamer *Abyssinia*, with the Canadian mail, left Vancouver for Japan and Hongkong on the 13th instant.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Ulysses*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 23rd inst., and is expected here on the 30th.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Vendia*, left Bombay on the 17th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 3rd proximo.

The Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's S. N. Co.'s steamer *Berlin*, from Trieste, left Colombo for this port on the 22nd instant.

The 'Glen' line steamer *Glenfruin*, from London, left Singapore on the 25th instant, and is expected here on the 2nd proximo.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

NIJINI NOVGOROD, Russian steamer, 1,740, Pishinsky, 24th Nov.—Vladivostok 10th Nov., Tea and General.—Melchers & Co.

AMOI, German steamer, 814, R. Kobler, 24th Nov.—Shanghai 21st Nov., General and Rice.—Siemssen & Co.

ZAFIRO, British steamer, 675, McCaslin, 25th Nov.—Manila 22nd November, General.—Russell & Co.

PARTHA, British steamer, 2,035, F. H. Wallace, 25th Nov.—Vancouver 25th October, General.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

CLYDE, British steamer, 2,198, W. D. Mudie, 25th Nov.—London 11th October, and Singapore 19th Nov., Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

TANNADICE, British steamer, 1,408, N. Shannon, 25th Nov.—Kobe 18th Nov., General.—Russell & Co.

NORWAY, Norwegian bark, 657, Th. Albrethsen, 25th Nov.—Chefoo 16th Nov., Beans and General.—Wiel & Co.

CLARA, German steamer, 674, Christensen, 25th Nov.—Haliphong 22nd Nov., and Hoihow 24th, Rice and Pigs.—Siemssen & Co.

ARCADIA, British bark, 417, D. S. Lward, 25th Nov.—Whampoa 24th Nov., General.—Wiel & Co.

FOOKSANG, British steamer, 991, W. E. Sauer, 25th Nov.—Whampoa 25th Nov., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

LARRETS, British steamer, 1,391, R. F. Scale, 26th Nov.—Nagasaki 21st Nov., General.—Butterfield & Swire.

SAOHALEN, French steamer, 2,580, Homery, 26th Nov.—Shanghai 24th Nov., Mails and General.—Messageries Maritimes.

PICCOLA, German steamer, 875, Th. Nissen, 26th Nov.—Chefoo 19th Nov., General.—Ed. Schellhaas & Co.

FIREBRAND, British gunboat, 2nd-class, 450 tons, 460 horse-power, 4 guns, Lieut. Commander Denison, 26th November—Manila 26th November.

PRIMAUGUET, French corvette, Captain. Veron, 26th Nov.—Manila 22nd November.

VIPERE, French gunboat, Commander Gondot, 26th Nov.—from Canton.

JOHANNES BRUN, Norwegian steamer, 484, Wesenberg, 26th Nov.—Tientsin, and Chefoo 20th Nov., General.—Ed. Schellhaas & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.
Freja, Danish steamer, for Haliphong.

DEPARTURES.
 November 24, *Kwangle*, Chinese steamer, for Whampoa.

November 24, *Aroy*, Norwegian bark, for Whampoa.

November 25, *Actio*, Danish str., for Hoihow.

November 25, *Ancona*, British steamer, for Japan.

November 25, *Haitan*, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.

November 25, *Sachsen*, German steamer, for Singapore, &c.

November 25, *Nicoia*, British bark, for Whampoa.

November 25, *Amoy*, British str., for Whampoa.

November 25, *Thorbecke*, Dutch bark, for Bangkok.

November 26, *Alwine*, German steamer, for Hoihow.

November 26, *Clyde*, British str., for Shanghai.

November 26, *Ningpo*, British str., for Shanghai.

November 26, *Changsha*, British steamer, for Fookow, &c.

November 26, *Sapphira*, British cruiser, for Singapore.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.
 Per *Clara*, str. from Haliphong, &c.—33 Chinese.

Per *Amoy*, str. from Shanghai.—Mr. Girault, and 40 Chinese.

Per *Nijini Novgorod*, str. from Vladivostok.—188 Europeans.

Per *Zafiro*, str. from Manila.—Mr. Alf. Grundy and servant, and 40 Chinese.

Per *Partha*, str. from Vancouver.—Mrs. Young, Captain Watson, Mr. Kwan, and 30 Chinese.

Per *Clyde*, str. from London for Hongkong.—Mr. and Mrs. Palmer, Mrs. Lind, 3 children and amah, Mrs. Bain, Mrs. Wise, child and amah, Mrs. Sandford, Mr. H. A. Smith, Misses Smith (4), and man-servant, Misses Ryle (2), Dr. Russell, Revs. H. Phillips, H. Knox, and Mr. Greaves.—From Bombay.—Messrs. C. W. May and H. E. Bottelwala.—From Penang.—Mr. Ng Aikow and servant, Mr. Cheah Chow Yew and servant, and 44 Chinese.—From Singapore.—Mrs. Young Guan and servant, Mr. Chong Lee and servant, and 4 Chinese.—From London for Yokohama.—Mr. and Mrs. Leary, and Mrs. Moss and child. From Brindisi.—Mrs. Newman, Messrs. Hinds and Elmore. From Bombay.—Rev. C. E. Whitley.—From London for Nagasaki.—Mr. Weng.

Per *Saghalien*, str. from Shanghai for Hongkong.—Mr. and Mrs. Wong, 3 children and 2 servants, Mr. and Mrs. Yasker, Miss Yrniksand, Dr. Jacoby, McAl, Gomes, Hughes, Liden, Bartlett, H. L. Kee, Von Furtado, Susan, Lane, Wong, Kai Fong, Fong, Ya, Tai, Edwards, da Costa, Andersen, U. J. C. Forke, and 4 Chinese.

For Saigon.—Miss Wong, Messrs. Cornhill, Ho Sat Ting, Reapland, Martinez de Hots, Portier, and Jacob. For Singapore.—Mr. and Mrs. Bing, Mr. and Mrs. Dumoulin, and Mr. Joseph. For Colombo.—Mrs. Thomas, James, For Marseilles.—Mrs. Bisset, Messrs. Sentance, Dadi, Carlyle, Cameron, Saxon, Gerod, Gery, Mencl, Saxon, Gutter, Emery, Davy, Bepin, Baubiat, and Hubert.

DEPARTED.

Per *Alwine*, str. for Hoihow.—100 Chinese.
 Per *Actio*, str. for Hoihow.—55 Chinese.
 Per *Haitan*, str. for Swatow, &c.—Mrs. Walkinshaw, 3 Europeans and 200 Chinese.

Per *Sachsen*, str. from Hongkong for Singapore.—Messrs. Schor, A. M. da Silva, Mof Sam Kay, S. Wele, and Chun Young Sick. For Colombo.—Dr. Philip Leach (U.S. Navy). For Genoa.—Captain J. P. Uderup, Messrs. J. E. Nath and John Silverlock. For Southampton, Miss Adams. For Bremerhaven.—Mr. Rasmussen. From Shanghai for Port Said.—Mr. and Mrs. Kappenberg, child and servant. For Genoa.—Messrs. Lohmann, Klock, Chas. Behrens, and H. Schmitzer. For Southampton.—Captain and Mrs. Stout. For Bremen.—Messrs. C. Vierordt and C. Wernicke. From Yokohama for Singapore.—Mr. Munaka Seiza. For Colombo.—Mr. Migaski. For Brindisi.—Baroness von Dornberg and servant. For Genoa.—Miss H. Schiplock. For Southampton.—Messrs. James Campbell, W. Intyre, A. Lucas, A. McDonald, and Rogers. For Bremen.—Messrs. P. Jensen and E. Oehme.

REPORTS.
 The German steamer *Piccola* reports that she left Chefoo on the 19th instant. Had fine weather from port to port.

The British steamer *Partha* reports that she left Vancouver on the 26th ultimo. Had strong head winds the entire passage.

The British steamer *Larrets* reports that she left Nagasaki on the 21st instant. Had strong north-west gale to Breaker Point; thence to port moderate monsoon.

The British steamer *Zafiro* reports that she left Manila on the 22nd instant. Had moderate to strong monsoon with high sea and fine bright weather throughout.

The British steamer *Amoy* reports that she left Shanghai on the 21st instant. Had strong monsoon with a high sea to Breaker Point; thence to port light variable winds.

The Norwegian bark *Norway* reports that she left Chefoo on the 16th instant. The first part of the voyage had variable winds and fine weather from lat. 32 north to Breaker Point; thence light monsoon and heavy sea; thence to port light breeze and fine weather.

The British steamer *Tannadice* reports that she left Kobe on the 18th instant at 6 a.m. for Hongkong; passed Muroto Saki at 6 p.m. the same day; at 6 p.m. on the 20th, passed between Suwa Sima and Akusai Sima; sighted Turnabout at 4:30 p.m. on the 23rd; passed the Lamakos at 4 p.m. on the 24th; arrived here at noon on the 25th. From Kobe had light winds and fine weather to Muroto Saki, and moderate to fresh north-west winds to midnight on the 19th, when there came away a hard squall from eastward, settling down to a moderate gale from south-east, with high sea; at 7 a.m. on the 20th laid the ship to as it was blowing a strong gale from south-east; remained to until 2 p.m. the same day, when wind and sea moderated; at 4 p.m. wind veered round to south-west, increasing to a moderate gale; at midnight blowing a strong gale from west-north-west, with thick dirty weather; on the 21st wind and sea moderating, and veering to north-north-west until reaching Turnabout, when it came over thick and dirty, but cleared at midnight, and the wind fell away; thence to port light winds from north-east and fine weather.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE
 For Shanghai.—Per *Fooksang*, to-morrow, the 27th instant, at 2:30 p.m.

For Amoy and Manila.—Per *Don Juan*, to-morrow, the 27th instant, at 3:30 p.m.

For Swatow, Amoy, and Fookow.—Per *Haliphong*, to-morrow, the 27th instant, at 5:00 p.m.

For Straits and Bombay.—Per *Bitaeno*, on Wednesday, the 28th instant, at 10:30 a.m.

For Europe, &c., Australia, Madras, Calcutta, and Mauritius.—Per *Saghalien*, on Wednesday, the 28th instant, at 11:00 a.m.

For Amoy.—Per *Alwine*, on Wednesday, the 28th instant, at 11:30 a.m.

For Amoy, Yokohama, and San Francisco.—Per *Belgia*, on Wednesday, the 28th instant, at 6:30 p.m.

For Straits and Calcutta.—Per *Wiangang*, on Wednesday, the 28th instant, at 2:30 p.m.

For Kobe.—Per *Galley of Lorne*, on Wednesday, the 28th instant, at 5:00 p.m.

For Europe, &c., India, via Bombay.—Per *Thamus*, on Wednesday, the 5th December, at 11:00 a.m.

For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, &c.—Per *Tannadice*, on Saturday, the 1st December, at 5:00 p.m.

For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama.—Per *Verona*, on Saturday, the 8th December, at 5:00 p.m.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

ALMORA, British steamer, 1,719, Alex. Hay, 18th Nov.—Java, via Singapore 11th November, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

BELOIT, British steamer, 2,695, W. H. Walker, 14th Nov.—San Francisco 18th Oct., and Yokohama 8th Nov., Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

BIAGGIO, Italian steamer, 1,491, A. Tognasso, 20th Nov.—Bombay, and Singapore 12th Nov., General.—Carnegie & Co.

CARISBROOK, British steamer, 973, R. Cass, 20th Nov.—Nagasaki 15th Nov., Coal.—Morris & Ray.

CITY OF KING, American steamer, 5,079 W. B. Seabury, 21st Nov.—San Francisco 27th October, and Yokohama 17th Nov., Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

DON JUAN, Spanish steamer, 654, J. M. Marques, 24th Nov.—Manila 21st Nov., General.—Randall & Co.

EAST, British steamer, 1,401, A. Stoppard, Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

FIRELO, German steamer, 553, H. Brusen, 2nd Nov.—Saigon 17th Nov., General.—Wiel & Co.

FRANZ, Danish steamer, 397, C. A. Lund, 23rd Nov.—Haliphong 21st November, General.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

GALLEY OF LORNE, British steamer, 1,380, F. Grandin, 19th Nov.—Kobe 13th Nov., Coal and General.—S. Samuel & Co.

GENERAL WERDER, German steamer, 1,220, W. Schuckmann, 23rd Nov.—Nagasaki 10th Nov., Mails and General.—Melchers & Co.

KONG, British steamer, 1,022, J. Jones, 23rd Nov.—Bangkok 14th Nov., Rice and General.—Yuen Fat Hong.

HALPHONG, British steamer, 783, J. S. Roach, 24th Nov.—Fookow 24th Nov.—Amoy 21st Nov.—Swatow 23rd Nov.—General.—D. La. pralk & Co.

MARIE, German steamer, 704, Hundewadt, 22nd Nov.—Haliphong 17th Nov.—Rice and General.—A. R. Marly.

PHUQUOT, French steamer, 1,011, J. S. Roach, 24th Nov.—Fookow 24th Nov.—Amoy 21st Nov.—Swatow 23rd Nov.—General.—D. La. pralk & Co.

PRINCE, British steamer, 1,181, A. Stoppard, Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

STRATHMORE, British steamer, 1,181, C. W. Peterson, 24th Nov.—Kobe 13th Nov., Coal and General.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

TATTOO, German steamer, 1,181, A. Stoppard, 24th Nov.—Saigon 17th Nov.—General.—Ed. Schellhaas & Co.

HONGKONG—STEAMERS.

Continued.
 VICTORIA, British steamer, 1,530, J. Coundon, 21st Nov.—Nagasaki 16th Nov., Coals.—Takasima Colliery Co.

VISAYAS, Spanish steamer, 406, J. de Alabita, 8th Oct.—Manila, via Amoy 4th October, General.—Ban-Ho.

WINGSON, British steamer, 1,517, A. de St. Croix, 22nd Nov.—Calcutta 7th Nov., and Singapore 16th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

CORONET, American yacht, 252, S. C. Crossby, 23rd Nov.—Yokohama 10th November.

DIANE, Norwegian bark, 764, J. Petersen, 2nd Oct.—Sourabaya 23rd August, Sugar.—Order.

ERLKEONG, Chinese bark, 457, Uplum Examination bulk, Stonecutters' Island.—Chinese Customs.

GOV. GOODWIN, American ship, 1,459, S. Pray, 1st Oct.—Kobe 20th Sept., Coal.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

HONOLULU, British ship, 1,599, Leavy, 2nd Oct.—Shanghai 24th Sept., Ballast.—Melchers & Co.

H. G. JOHNSON, American bark, 1,027, Colby, 26th Oct.—Keelung 23rd Oct., Coals.—Russell & Co.

LAD. HAREWOOD, British bark, 382, T. H. Williams, 18th Nov.—Hollo 17th Nov., Sapanwood and General.—Gonsalves & Co.

OMEGA, British steamer, 480, A. V. Brown, 16th Nov.—Celebes 24th October, Timber.—Ed. Schellhaas & Co.

P. N. BLANCHARD, American ship, 1,503, M. W. Blanchard, 25th Sept.—Hiojo (Japan) 5th Sept., General.—Siemssen & Co.

RAPHAEL, American ship, 1,466, E. W. Harkness, 30th Oct.—Nagasaki 28th Oct., Coal.—Order.

SWAN, American brig, 287, D. O'Ke